

# HIGH-INTEGRITY NATURE-BASED CLIMATE ACTION: PERSPECTIVES FROM THE GLOBAL SOUTH

## SIDE EVENT

*A multi-stakeholder side event bringing together researchers, practitioners and funders to discuss ambition, equity, and the scaling of initiatives that integrate climate and biodiversity goals. The side event will be a dialogue for North-South and South-South collaboration. Experiences and best practices will be showcased with local and regional examples of initiatives.*

**Wednesday 20 November 2024**

**15:00-16:30 (Azerbaijan Standard Time)**

**Side Event Room 5, COP29 venue**

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# SPEAKERS

## **Idil Boran, York University, Canada**

Idil Boran is professor of applied environmental governance and Faculty Fellow at the Dahdaleh Institute for Global Health Research at York University (Canada), as well as an associate researcher (non-resident) at the German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS). Idil specializes in interdisciplinary research and cross-sectoral outreach and partnerships. She is passionate about the science-policy interface. She is the lead of the international consortium project [BioCAM4](#) - Biodiversity Integration in Climate Adaptation and Mitigation Actions for Planet, People, and Human Health funded by the New Frontiers in Research Fund, The German Research Foundation (DFG), and UKRI.

## **Sebastian Reyes de la Lanza, Radboud University, Netherlands**

Sebastian is a PhD candidate in Environmental Politics and Governance at Radboud University. He is part of the EU Horizon project consortium "Achieving High-Integrity Voluntary Climate Action (ACHIEVE)", which aims to identify opportunities to strengthen and scale up high-integrity voluntary climate action. His research focuses on transnational, multistakeholder partnerships that mobilise non-state climate action by subnational governments, corporations, and financial institutions. He assesses these cooperative climate initiatives through various integrity dimensions, including effectiveness, accountability, transparency, equity, justice, and linkages with other sustainability and environmental concerns.

## **Fernando Campos, Sitawi, Brazil**

Fernando Campos works at Sitawi, a Brazilian NGO specializing in the development and delivery of financial solutions for biodiversity and climate positive impact. The initiatives Sitawi implements present strong social and economical benefits for local communities in different regions of Brazil, including the Amazon.

## **Heike Henn, Federal Ministry of Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), Germany**

Heike Henn is Deputy Director-General for Climate; Energy; Environment at the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ). With a background in political science, economics and law, Heike Henn has nearly thirty years of experience in the fields of development policy, research, non-governmental organizations, and government. At BMZ, Heike Henn has served in various roles, including Coordinator of the German G8 Africa Personal Representative, Head of German Development Cooperation in Burundi and Rwanda, Head of Division Special Initiative ONEWORLD – No Hunger, and Head of Division, Policy issues of cooperation with civil society, private organizations.

## **Juliana Ribeiro, Boticário Group Foundation, Brazil**

Juliana Baladelli Ribeiro is a leading expert in Nature-Based Solutions. She is a Project Manager at the Boticário Group Foundation in Brazil, where she works on finding innovative ways to use nature to address climate change and build a more sustainable future. Juliana is a biologist with a specialization in Climate Change and a Master's degree in Environmental Management. She has a proven track record of successfully scaling up nature-based solutions projects, identifying strategic pathways for funding initiatives that make Brazilian cities more resilient to climate change, and collaborating with stakeholders to create a strong policy environment for these solutions. Before joining the Boticário Group Foundation, Juliana spent seven years at the Curitiba Municipal Environment Secretariat, leading strategic licensing, establishing and managing protected areas, and advocating for the conservation of private lands through public policy.

## **Ines Dombrowsky, German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS), Germany**

Ines Dombrowsky heads the Environmental Governance Department at the German Institute of Development and Sustainability (IDOS) and is a honorary professor at Leuphana University. Her research focuses on coordination and cooperation in environmental governance across levels, sectors, actor types and scales. This includes work on governing the water-energy-food-ecosystem nexus and climate and biodiversity interlinkages. She will present insides from IDOS case study research on Nature-based solutions.